

Additional Sports

PREDICTED BLOW UP AMONG MINOR LEAGUES IS PUT OFF

Mexican Situation Fails to Have Dire Effect on Interest of American Public and More Teams Making Money Than Before

(Special to The Republican.)

NEW YORK, June 6.—Pre-season dope conveyed the information that the present season was bound to be a bloomer for the minor league clubs financially. The principal reasons advanced for these pessimistic prognostications were the Mexican situation and the appearance of the Federal League. It was considered certain that chatter on the war below the Rio Grande would be more interesting to the bugs than baseball, but if any of the minor league clubs managed to survive the loss of business suffered on this account they must eventually succumb to the Federal League and its policy of grabbing the stars from the little fellows without the formality of passing over any money.

Notwithstanding these dire predictions of disaster, there are now more minor league clubs doing business than there were at this time last year. In the past it has been the rule that July 4 was "blow-up day" for all wobbly organizations in minor league baseball. Some of the leagues may "blow" during the same and safe festivities this year, but at the present time they are all doing business at the old stand and in the most of the circuits they are giving the fans a good run for their money.

In taking a slant at the percentages of the different minor leagues quite a number of surprises will greet the eye. Beginning with the big minors, or class AA organizations, it is seen that the champion Newark team is up against it in the International league, while Indianapolis, a former cellar champion, is beating or bruising everything in the American association. The Pacific Coast league, the third member of the AA class, is putting up a great race, with Venice and Los Angeles showing the way.

In the class A leagues, New Orleans, a hopeless case last season, is setting the pace in the Southern league, and in the Western league St. Joseph, Sioux City and Lincoln are giving the three-time champion Denver team a real battle for the pennant.

Descending the line, Pat Flaherty's Lynn team, an outfit that hadn't been heard from in years, is found tying up the New England league race. Troy is out in front in the New York State league struggle and Dayton, 200 points ahead of the second team, is running wild in the Central league. In the Canadian league, Ottawa and London look to have the edge, with the other teams all set and ready to jump forward should the leaders crack. In the Carolina league the Charlotte Hornets are worrying the champion Winston-Salem outfit.

The pennant-winning Oshkosh team again is showing the Wisconsin-Illinois teams how the old game is played, and Chillicothe, another champ of 1913, is up among the best folks in the Ohio State League chase.

The fast work of the leading Norfolk team is making Virginia league fans sit up straight, while Petersburg last year's pennant winner, is struggling to keep out of the basement.

The Savannah team looks to be pinned to the pennant in the South Atlantic league again this year. The Georgia State league is staging a corking race with every team in the circuit having a chance.

That Davenport has some team is shown by a glance at the Three-I league standing. Davenport will have to be sat on (like) pretty soon or the old Three-I boy will look bent from being so top-heavy.

Grand Forks and Winnipeg have been cleaning up in the Northern League and Battle Creek and Bay City look to be the two outfits the Southern Michigan league teams will have to beat in order to win the honors. The champion Houston team is holding its own in the Texas league, with Beaumont, a tail-end last season, showing considerable class. Texarkana and Denison look to be the strongest contenders in the Texas-Oklahoma league race, and Owensboro, Paducah and Henderson seem to have a little something on the other teams in the Kitty league.

The champion Vancouver team is making the other Northwestern league teams step lively, while Ogden of the Union association and Saskatoon of the Western Canada league are the bright scholars in their respective circuits.

Both the California State and the Western Tri-State leagues are putting up air-tight races. Burlington is away out in front in the Central Association and still going strong. Every team in the Tri-State league appears good enough to land the flag, with the possible exception of York. The Newark Cubans, last year's pennant winners, are again proving to be hard birds for the Atlantic league teams to bag. Of the new minor leagues organized this year, the Colonial league, Interstate league, Pennsylvania-Vest Virginia league and Oklahoma league, all of them are running along smoothly and expect to have a prosperous season.

CURL BEATS CATTON IN FINAL CONTEST

By a final score of 760 to 250, Curl beat, Marcus Catton in the St. Elmo 182 billiard tourney. Catton failed to make his 1000 in the last night of play, although he sported like a good fellow.

Some of the hardest billiard shots in history were accomplished during this five-night match. Catton made high runs of 67, while Curl's best was 15. The winner's average was 24.

The Interstate league is the latest minor organization to get under way, the circuit being composed of Jamestown, Olean, Wellsville and Hornell, N. Y., and Warren and Bradford, Pa.

Charley Herzog seems to have the Cincinnati Reds well in hand. The Red Birds are hustling all the time and go after the leaders with as much vim as against the weaker teams.

Harry Foley, former manager of Willie Ritchie, is now acting as pilot for Joe Azevedo, the Sacramento light-weight.

Red's Race Dope

Strongest among the northern contenders in the Phoenix to Prescott motorcycle race, July 4, will be Harry Smith, an Indian rider. Smith not only knows the road as he knows his own back yard, but possesses the swiftest two-wheeled thing in the Mile High City.

"Shorty" Belding is another speed artist from Prescott who will come down to see the Phoenix-Prescott road from a racer's point of view. Shorty will be remembered as the successful rider of the twin Indian which set the first recognition track record of 1904 on the state fair oval in 1912.

Before a race everybody figures on the time, but nobody pays as much attention to this little thing as the competitors. Take, for instance, the following widely divergent views of some of our best little race stars:

Ellie Wilson—"A little under four hours."

L. Boldo—"Close to five hours. And I am sure going to get there."

Grieg—"Four hours."

F. H. Sellner—"Three hours and a half—easy."

Crandall—"Echo."

Wilson and Boldo leave Tuesday on a trial trip to Prescott. They have received introductory letters to the prominent Yavapai Motorcycle club members, and will take a couple of whirls at the Loop track.

Crandall and Sellner are going over the full course but once, and that during the race.

The whole local bunch is going to Hot Springs Junction and intermediate points almost daily. Wilson has made it to the Junction in 1 hour and 55 minutes, but this was not done for speed.

Jake Theobald, a Prescott rider, now located in Phoenix, has arranged to tune Jean Spear's famous Jefferson for the race. Theobald will ride it over the Phoenix-Prescott course with a first-aid outfit, and then will enter the Loop race. He is perfectly familiar with the course, and stands a good show of winning. Riders who partook of the delights of the Phoenix-to-Florence sociability run will remember Theobald as that wild Excelsior rider who went into the drink near Chandler. Spear's machine is the same one on which Bill Doherty made that well-known Phoenix-Grand Canyon voyage last year. In spite of bumps and a new engine, it is the same old wagon, and still good for several 'teen miles per hour.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

National League				
Club—	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
New York	24	14	.632	
Cincinnati	27	18	.600	
Pittsburg	22	18	.550	
Chicago	22	22	.500	
Brooklyn	19	20	.487	
St. Louis	22	25	.468	
Philadelphia	18	21	.462	
Boston	12	27	.308	

Club—	American League		
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Washington	27	16	.628
Philadelphia	25	16	.610
Detroit	25	19	.568
St. Louis	22	21	.512
Boston	20	22	.476
Chicago	19	25	.432
New York	17	23	.425
Cleveland	14	29	.326

Federal League				
Club—	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Baltimore	24	14	.632	
Chicago	22	19	.537	
Buffalo	20	18	.526	
Brooklyn	17	18	.486	
Pittsburg	19	21	.475	
Indianapolis	18	21	.462	
St. Louis	20	24	.455	
Kansas City	19	24	.442	

Coast League				
Club—	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
San Francisco	29	27	.591	
Venice	24	28	.464	
Los Angeles	25	29	.464	
Sacramento	27	33	.450	
Portland	24	30	.444	
Oakland	24	36	.400	

WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY

National League
Open date.
American League
New York at Chicago.
Washington at St. Louis.
Philadelphia at Detroit.
Boston at Cleveland.
Federal League
St. Louis at Kansas City.
Chicago at Indianapolis.
Coast League
Sacramento at Portland.
Los Angeles at Oakland.
San Francisco at Venice.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Hoblitell!
BOSTON, June 6.—With the bases full in the eighth and two out, Hoblitell's two bagger sent three men home and enabled Cincinnati to defeat Boston.
Score—R. H. E.
Cincinnati
Boston
Batteries—Vining, Douglas, Davenport and Clark; Tyler, James and Gowdy.

At Last a Win!
PHILADELPHIA, June 6.—After losing ten and tying one game in the last eleven, Pittsburgh developed a batting streak and defeated Philadelphia. The visitors knocked Marshall off the rubber in the seventh but Geseher put an end to the slugging.
Score—R. H. E.
Pittsburgh
Philadelphia

IT'S A GAME WITH JEWELS

There Will Be Precious Stones All Over the Diamond at Intervals—It's Funny No One Thought of This Joke Before

LINE-UP FOR TODAY'S GAME
Mesa, Phoenix
Brown, 2b. Barton, 2b.
Morris, c. Barrett, cf.
Cox, ss. Warren, ss.
Pomeroy, cf. Lewis, 2b.
Harris, 1b. Barclay, 1b.
Bond, 1b. Sloane, lf.
Williams, lf. Kimberley, rf.
Halvorsen, 2b. Jenkins, c.
Campbell, rf. Krause, p.

There will be some baseball out at the park on Grand street today. Mesa's reconstructed Jewels will come over for the special purpose of shining with extra luster on the Phoenix diamond—and isn't that some mixture of metaphors and precious stones?

Phoenix has been losing Hap O'Connor for a long time, but now he seems to be completely gone. At least that is the impression of Manager Barrett, who failed to include the name of the chimney one on his batting order. In his place there appears Jenkins, reinstated behind the bat, not to be troubled this shiny day with sun in his face and long flies out of his hand.

Barclay plays first base, though who gave him license to make such a huge jump nobody knows. The last time he was heard from he was trying to weigh down the west end of the infield and keep it evenly balanced with the other corners. Captain Clarence Barton has stationed himself on third, where he belongs. Warren will play shortstop. Second base lies between Gatter and Rasmado.

Sloane, Kimberley and that well known Barrett will play outfield positions.

Batteries—Adams and Gibson; Marshall, Geseher and Kuller.

Giants Show at Home

NEW YORK, June 6.—A miff of an easy fly by Butler in the eighth inning, enabled New York to win from St. Louis. The biggest crowd at the Polo grounds this season saw the game.

Score—R. H. E.

New York

Batteries—Doak, Sallee and Wingo; Mathewson and Meyers.

Brooklyn Beats Cubs

BROOKLYN, June 6.—Cheney had Brooklyn beaten up to the seventh, when he weakened and a combination of poor pitching and two errors on Corridor, let in four runs which gave the locals a victory over Chicago. Archer, chasing a wild pitch tumbled down the score steps under the players' bench and turned his right arm. He will be out of the game for some weeks.

Score—R. H. E.

Chicago

Batteries—Cheney and Archer, Needham; Altchison, Reulbach and McCarty.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Never Finished

CHICAGO, June 6.—Rain and a hail storm which came up after New York had batted in the ninth inning put an end to a pitchers' battle between Warhop and Benz. The score was tied in the eighth, 1 to 1.


Score—R. H. E.

New York

Batteries—Warhop and Numakaker; Benz and Schalk.

Mitchell in Lime-Light

ST. LOUIS, June 6.—Roy Mitchell who relieved Taylor in the second inning, pitched a great game letting Washington defeat St. Louis, two to one.



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FEDERAL LEAGUE
Errorless Ball
PITTSBURGH, June 6.—Pittsburgh won an errorless, hard-hitting game from Baltimore. The locals hit Quinn most timely in the seventh and eighth innings and Oaks hit a home run.
Score—R. H. E.
Baltimore
Pittsburgh
Batteries—Quinn, Chappell and Jack-Busch; Knetzer and Barry.
Bat Billiard's Ball
INDIANAPOLIS, June 6.—After the first inning when Indianapolis knocked McGuire from the mound, Chicago had an easy time, defeating the locals. The visitors got six runs in the fifth with Billard in the box.
Score—R. H. E.
Chicago
Indianapolis
Batteries—McGuire and Lange, Block; Wilson; Mullen, Billard, Harter and Raridan.
Bisons Hit Timely
BROOKLYN, June 6.—Buffalo did the more timely hitting and won from Brooklyn, making it two straight.
Score—R. H. E.
Buffalo
Brooklyn
Batteries—Johnson, Collins and Cady; Mitchell, Steen and O'Neil.

Watch Out, Fellers!



Complete the picture by drawing a pencil line between the dots, starting at No. 1 and taking them numerically.

Some Famous Home Runs

"Hans" Wagner's four-base swat in Pittsburgh which broke the wind shield of an automobile standing outside the grounds.

"Chief" Wilson's drive which landed 326 feet from the St. Louis Cardinal park home plate.

"Gus" Williams' drive over the right field wall of the St. Louis American League park. It also was a 329 footer.

"Big Bill" Lange's homer over the centerfield fence in Cincinnati. It smashed through a plate glass window of a saloon and broke up a pinocle party.

"Larry" McLean's peculiar wallow, made on the Pacific coast. The ball went through the only knothole in a short rightfield fence.

"Jake" Stahl's homer at Hot Springs. It sailed over a tree fifty feet from the fence and splashed into a creek.

"Buck" Freeman's drive off "Chief" Bender at old Columbia Park, Philadelphia. The ball went over a block of houses beyond the fence and landed in the second story window of a house in a side street between 28th and 29th streets.

"Home Run" Baker's world series drive that broke "Christy" Mathewson's heart.

"Red" Ames' four bagger at the Polo grounds. It was one of about four hits he made during the season.

"Heinie" Zimmerman's two homers, made over the left field fence in Cincinnati. He was the only player that ever put the ball over the wall.

"Cy" Seymour's hit from Boston to New York. The ball fell into a coal car attached to a fast freight and was found by a brakeman when the train reached New York.

"Nap" Lajoie's drive, which struck the screen in the old left center subway at League Park in Cleveland.

Frank Baker's crash over the right field wall in Washington off Walter Johnson, which made the management decide to enlarge the park.

Miller Huggins' hit in Cincinnati, which fell twenty feet behind the right fielder, who lost the ball in the sun and did not locate it until Huggins had crossed the plate.

Joe Jackson's smash which cleared the extension of the grandstand in right field at the Polo grounds in New York.

Fred Clarke's circuit swat in the Detroit-Pittsburgh world's series, the hit that shook the Tiger's confidence.

Harry Davis' clout over the deep centerfield fence at Bennett park, Detroit. It cleared that long fence by at least thirty feet.

Walter Johnson's drive in Washington. The force of the blow tore the cover, off the ball.

Fred Luderus' two homers against Pittsburgh, the first one tying the score and the second one winning the game, 2 to 1.